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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 137—Relative to National Child Awareness Month.

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SCR 137, as amended, Walters. National Child Awareness Month. This measure would recognize the month of September 2014 as National Child Awareness Month in California to honor children's charities, youth-serving organizations, and other nongovernmental organizations that are committed to enriching and bettering the lives of children and youth in California and the rest of the country.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Numerous individuals, children's organizations,
- 2 and youth-serving organizations that work with children and youth
- 3 on a daily basis provide invaluable services that serve to enrich
 - and better the lives of children and youth; and
- 5 WHEREAS, By strengthening and supporting children's and
- 6 youth-serving charities and other similar nongovernmental
- 7 organizations, and by encouraging greater collaboration among
- 8 these organizations, the lives of many more children may be
- 9 improved and enriched; and

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WHEREAS, Heightening people's awareness of, and increasing the support for, charitable and nonprofit organizations in the state that provide access to health care, social services, education, the arts, sports, and other services to children and youth will help to better the lives of those children and youth; and

WHEREAS, September is a time when parents, families, teachers, school administrators, and others increase their focus on preparing children and youth for the future as they begin a new school year and it is a time for the people of this state to highlight, and be mindful of, the needs of children and youth; and

WHEREAS, Children's charities, youth-serving organizations, and other nongovernmental organizations across California and the rest of the country should be recognized for the work they do to improve the lives, and promote the well-being of, children and youth in this state and country; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby recognizes the month of September 2014 as National Child Awareness Month in California to honor children's charities, youth-serving organizations, and other nongovernmental organizations that are committed to enriching and bettering the lives of children and youth in California and the rest of the county; country; and that public officials and citizens of California are encouraged to observe the month with appropriate activities and programs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.